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ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 85-09

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: CHANGES IN FOOD STAMP BOOKS

In All-County Letter No. 84-69, dated July 9, 1984, counties were notified of forthcoming changes in the Food Stamp Books. This is to advise you that the newly configurated Series 1984 \$50 Food Stamp Books will soon be shipped by the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS).

County Welfare Departments (CWDs) with automated mail issuance systems should note that the new \$50 books contain only 6 coupons rather than the 11 coupons as in the old books.

Attached is a fact sheet for the new \$50 books which contains technical information for counties with automated mail issuance equipment. Please ensure your issuance agents are informed of these changes.

These changes will have no effect on the ordering system. There will be no recall of the old series books; and, all books from previous series are to be issued normally.

If you have any questions, please call your respective Food Stamp Program Corrective Action Consultant at (916) 322-5475 or ATSS 492-5475.

Deputy Director

Welfare Programs Operations Division

Attachment

cc: CWDA

IMPORTANT FACT SHEET: CHANGE IN \$50 FOOD STAMP BOOKS

\$50 BOOKS

SERIES 1984

FULL SIZE BOXES

Newly configurated \$50 books will be shipped to the field soon. Be on alert for these books. These new \$50 books contain only six coupons (see below). For the time being, they will be in the full size (D1) boxes only. Half size (D2) boxes will be converted later. Both the old configuration (11-coupon) and new configuration (6-coupon) \$50 books can be issued normally.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

\$50 Books with 6 coupons (two \$5 coupons and four \$10 coupons)

Beginning serial number: D0000001Q

Box Size: Full (D1) Series: 1984 A

Color of ink on front cover: Grey

Inner wrapping: A green label will be affixed to each plastic wrapper

saying "1984 New Configuration."

Method of binding: Staples

Average Single Book Thickness: 0.0305 inch at left edge

0.0325 inch at staples 0.0326 inch in middle 0.0321 inch at right edge

Single book weight: 0.328 ounce

Weight of D1 Box: 1412 lbs.

Box dimensions: $12 \ 3/16 \ x \ 9 \ 7/16 \ x \ 5 \ 3/4$